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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q68736

Hironobu ISHIKAWA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/090,267

Group Art Unit: 2652

Confirmation No.: 6535

Examiner: David Donald Davis

Filed: March 07, 2002

For: CERAMIC DYNAMIC-PRESSURE BEARING AND HARD DISK DRIVE USING THE SAME

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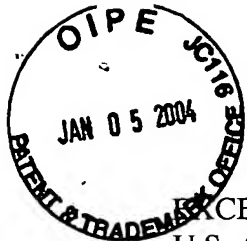
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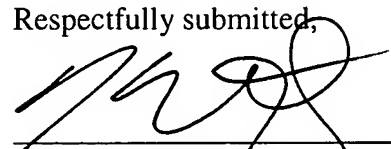
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